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EO 12065: GDS 7/26/88 (KEANE, JF) OR-P
TAGS: PINS, SHUMN, AR
SUBJECT: GRAIVER GROUP RELEASED

REF: BUENOS AIRES 4272

1. (U) THE GOA HAS BOWED TO A CIVIL COURT ORDER AND RELEASED THE REMAINING THREE PEN DETAINEES OF THE SO-CALLED GRAIVER GROUP, LIDIA PAPALEO DE GRAIVER, JUAN GRAIVER AND ISIDORO MIGUEL GRAIVER, WHO WERE EXONERATED BY THE COURT ON JULY 19 AND ORDERED RELEASED ALONG WITH FOUR OTHERS OF THE GROUP (REFTEL), REGAINED THEIR LIBERTY ON JULY 24.

2. COMMENT: THE ARGENTINE MILITARY ARE CONVINCED THAT THE GRAIVER GROUP WERE AMONG THE MOST IMPORTANT COLLABORATORS OF THE MONTONERO TERRORIST GROUP, AND THE EXONERATION AS WELL AS THE RELEASE UNDOUBTEDLY ANGERS MANY OFFICERS. FOR EXAMPLE, ON JULY 23 RETIRED GENERAL RAMON CAMPS, FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE OF THE PROVINCE OF BUENOS AIRES AND ONE OF THE OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN THE DETENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP, QUESTIONED THE COURT DECISION, CLAIMING THAT THE GRAIVERS HAD CONFESSED THEIR GUILT DURING INTERROGATIONS. THE RELEASE OF THE GRAIVERS, TAKEN TOGETHER WITH RECENT DEMANDS BY POLITICIANS FOR AN ACCOUNTING FOR THE DISAPPEARED, AND EVEN SUGGESTIONS BY A FEW POLITICIANS FOR TRIALS OF MILITARY OFFICERS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES (SEPTEL) IS, AS BUENOS AIRES DAILY CLARIN REPORTS ON JULY 25, MAKING THE MILITARY NERVOUS.
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